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Testimony In Favor of
SB 1006 AA Increasing Certain Bond Authorizations For Capital Improvements,
Sections 9 and 10

I am Martin Mador, 130 Highland Ave., Hamden, CT 06518. I am the volunteer Legislative Chair for the Sierra Club-Connecticut Chapter. I am also a director of Rivers Alliance and of the Quinnipiac River Watershed Association. I hold a Masters of Environmental Management degree from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

Clean water has long been recognized as a priority. While addressed in many ways, continuing upgrades to our sewage treatment plants are an important element. Funding keeps our waterways healthy, prevents the degradation of Long Island Sound, creates green jobs with a very beneficial purpose, allows the economic benefits from fishing, tourism and recreation to continue, and helps to preserve our high environmental quality of life.

The Sierra Club, as a member of the Clean Water Investment Coalition, strongly endorses continued and reliable funding for the Clean Water Fund. Even in these times of fiscal distress, the funding makes economic sense.